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'Dosta Theatre  
122 North Ashley Street  
Valdosta, Georgia



Welcome Theatre Goer!

Theatre Guild Valdosta would like once again to welcome you to 'Dosta Playhouse and our production of Steel Magnolias. Many of you have seen the movie version of this wonderful play. What you will be experiencing tonight is a different and, we feel, a much more compelling story. The

characters and the storyline are much the same but the immediacy of the stage lends a tremendous impact to the familiar story. We hope that you will be drawn into the story as much as we have been.

We hope that you will enjoy the performances of our new actresses, Sandra Dickson, Jamie Newberry and Debi Parkhill and welcome back stand-bys Joanne Griner, Kathleen Dixon and Kathleen Getman.

Thank you for coming and enjoy the show.

Mary Ann Green, President

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# *Steel Magnolias*

*by*

*Robert Harling*

TGV Production

Charles Green, Producer

Jerry Dickson, Director

***Steel Magnolias* is produced  
by special arrangement  
with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.**

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Truvy Jones . . . . . Debi Parkhill  
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 Costumes . . . . . The Cast

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 production is strictly forbidden.  
 Thank you for your understanding.**

TGV offers special thanks to:

Wayne Washington Salon  
 The Ultimate Family Hair Care  
 Georgia Florida Beauty Supply Co.  
 Bangz Hair Salon  
 Kathy Getman  
 Nancy Edmondson  
 Jerry and Sandra Dickson  
 Jewell Cooper, Hair Styling

for the use of various set pieces and props  
 for this production

THE SCENE

The action takes place in Truvy's Beauty Shop

There will be one 15 minute intermission between the acts.

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Membership in Theatre Guild Valdosta is open to all members of the community at the modest cost of ten dollars (\$20/family) per year. Benefits of active membership include the right to vote on play selection, election of officers and other Guild business, and the general fellowship shared by all members of the Guild. Active members are encouraged to participate in the productions of the Guild and to serve on various committees. Theatre Guild Valdosta meets the first Thursday of each month at The Valdosta Playhouse. Meetings, as well as participation in all activities of the Guild, are open to the public, regardless of membership. Information on membership, as well as all Theatre Guild Valdosta activities, is available by calling 24-STAGE.

1994/95 SEASON  
OLIVER!  
RUN FOR YOUR WIFE  
THE DINING ROOM  
STEEL MAGNOLIAS  
ONCE UPON A MATTRESS

Season Ticket brochures are available in the Lobby.  
Please check out our new SHOW OPENER season ticket;  
its a real money saver!

## AUDITIONS

Auditions for *Once Upon A Mattress* will be held  
Sunday, March 19, 6:00pm and  
Monday, March 20, 7:30pm  
at The Valdosta Playhouse

## CAST NOTES

**Sandra Dickson** ("Ouiser") received her Bachelor's degree in theatre from Valdosta State College and her PhD from Georgia State University. She is currently Curriculum Director for the Lowndes County School System. Sandra has been involved in theatre for over 25 years and has worked with numerous educational and community theatres throughout Georgia. She has appeared as "Amanda" in Glass Menagerie, "Mrs. Gibbs" in Our Town, "Lady Brockhurst" in The Boyfriend, and "Jane Seymour" in Royal Gambit to name only a few. She has also directed many shows, including last season's successful Arsenic and Old Lace and also serves as Secretary for TGV. Sandra is currently busy directing Winnie the Pooh, TGV's Children's show opening April 8.

**Kathleen Dixon** ("Annelle") is a graduate of Lowndes High School. She is currently a Communications Arts major at Valdosta State University. Her first experience with Theatre Guild was in this season's hilarious Run For Your Wife.

**Kathleen Getman** ("M'Lynn") was introduced to the Valdosta audience in Oliver. She had previously been involved in several productions with the Albany Little Theatre highlighted by having the lead in Cabaret. She took a 12-year vacation from the theatre beginning in 1982 when she and her husband, Tom, moved to Hahira. During that time, she was busy in numerous civic and church activities, working in Tom's office, singing with *41 South* and raising 6 children. This will be her first role in a non-musical performance. She is now part of Theatre Guild's *Ambassadors Live* as well.

**Joanne Griner** ("Clairee") is appearing on TGV's stage for the 17th time in the 6 seasons of its history. In between, she has served on the Board of Directors as President of the Guild and as Publicity Chair. Her most recent role was "Old Sally" in Oliver -- a part to die for!

**Jamie Newberry** ("Shelby"), a native of Perry, Florida, is a 1994 graduate of Valdosta State University with a degree in Secondary Education. Portraying the role of "Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie" will mark Jamie's first appearance ever on stage. We are pleased that her theatrical debut is with TGV.

**Debi Y. Parkhill** ("Truvy") is the Manager of Cashiering Operations at Valdosta State University. She is a theatre major from Florida State University. Steel Magnolias is her debut performance with TGV.